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The following is a description of the movements of ships carrying sugar to the USSR between 18 May and 22 July 1955:

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- 1. The SS APPLEDORE arrived at Habana on 25 June 1955 at 7:30 a.m. The vessel remained at anchorage as its berth was occupied. It was to dock at 6 a.m. on 27 June and commence loading at 7 a.m. Fuel was reported at 312 tons; water, 60 tons. Draft forward, 17'25", aft, 22'0". The Master requested 4,062 gross tons at Habana to complete the full cargo. The SS APPLEDORE finished loading at the port of Habana on 2 July 1955 at 11:45 a.m. It sailed on 2 July at 3:30 p.m. with destination Nakhodka, USSR, via the Panama Canal. It loaded 10,000 jute bags of refined sugar and 68,500 cotton bags of refined sugar. The vessel reported on sailing 240 tons of fuel and 60 tons of water. Draft forward, 26'01", aft, 26'06". Prior to Habana the vessel had loaded at Sagua de Tanamo 28,579 jute bags and 52,079 cotton bags of refined sugar.
- 2. The SS ATOMENA finished loading at Cardenas on 24 June at 3:30 p. m. and sailed 24 June 1955 at 4:50 p.m. for Riga, Latvia, via Habana. Bags loaded: 20,000 jute bags of refined sugar of 100 kilos net each type. On sailing, the vessel reported 215 tons of fuel and 70 tons of water. Draft forward, 15'10" and aft, 16'11". It arrived at Habana on 25 June at 6:25 a.m. and commenced loading at 7 a.m. At Habana the ATOMENA loaded 60,105 bags of sugar. The cargo requisition at Habana to complete full cargo was 2,694 gross tons. Estimated time of sailing was 29 or 30 June. Fuel, 215 tons; water, 60 tons. Draft forward 16'0"; aft 16'11".
- 3. Captain Cezmi Serter, commanding the SS HARAN in the port of Habana, was notified on 25 June that the charterers of the vessel had said that the destination of the cargo of refined sugar to be loaded at Cardenas and Habana was either Novorossisk or Odessa. Final destination was to be communicated when the ship was passing Gibraltar.

4. The SS MARINELLA was chartered

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The steamer arrived in Cardenas, Cuba, on 4
July at 1:15 p.m. to load sugar for the USSR. On arrival it reported 170 tons
of fuel and 20 tons of water. Loading at Cardenas began on 5 July at 7 a.m.

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and was expected to be completed at that port on 11 July, with 4,600 tons to be loaded.

- 5. The SS J.W. PAULIN arrived at Moriel, Cuba, at 5 p.m. on 29 June, proceeding from Cristobal, Canal Zone. The cargo requisition called for 3,600 gross metric tons of refined sugar. On arrival the vessel reported 200 tons of fuel and 205 tons of water. Draft was 18'06" even. It commenced loading at 7 a.m. on 30 June and finished at 11 a.m. on 6 July. The vessel did not depart until 6:20 p.m. on 6 July because of delay in the arrival of a surveyor to perform a survey of vessel's steering gear, in accordance with cabled orders received from the owners. The master of the ship is R. Nudi. Cargo loaded at Moriel consisted of 78,606 cotton bags of about 100 net pounds each, for discharge at Leningrad.
- 6. The SS EKEFORS arrived at Antilla, Cuba, on 27 May at 7 a.m. and commenced loading at once. Loading was finished on 1 June at 3:50 p.m.; lay days expired on 2 June at 7:35 a.m.
- 7. The SS PAZ was ordered to load her cargo of 8925/8075 net long tons of sugar at the ports of Manzanilla and Jacaro. The vessel was unloading a cargo of clinker cement at the port of Santiago de Cuba, where the agents are C. Bergenes y Cia. Agents at Manzanilla were to be Industrias Arca Campos S.A., P.O. Box 12. Agents at Jacaro were to be Ben Villa, Consignatarios de Buques, Central Agramonte, Provincia de Camaguey.
- 8. The SS GERTRUDE MAERSK arrived at Habana on 1 July at 1:15 a.m. and commenced loading on 2 July at 7 a.m. Estimated sailing date was 7 July. The cargo requisition called for 4,014 gross long tons of refined sugar to complete at this port. On arrival the vessel reported 345 tons of fuel and 50 tons of water. Draft 18:06* even.
- 9. The SS HERAKLES loaded 13,000 bags of 100 kilos net at the port of Cardenas and 54,307 bags at Habana. Destination was Nakhodka.
- 10. The SS MAGDALENE MINNEN finished loading 15,000 jute bags of refined sugar at 100 kilos met each and 43,673 cotton bags of refined sugar at 100 kilos net each at the port of Cardenas on 14 July 1955 at 4:30 p.m. Sailing time was 5:30, the same day. Destination was Leningrad or Riga via Habana. Gross weight was 34:63'5687 long tons; net weight 3445'7254 long tons. On sailing the vessel reported 393 tons of fuel and 95 tons of water. It arrived at Habana on 15 July at 6:30 a.m. It was to load 2,888 gross long tons of refined sugar at Habana on or about 19 July. Fuel, 385 tons; water, 90 tons. Draft forward 18'04"; aft 18'06". Estimated date of sailing was 22 July 1955. The agent was Federico Causo Consignataria, S. A.
- 11. The SS SOPHOCLYVE, Captain D. Papadimitriou commanding, loaded a cargo of refined sugar at Cardenas and Habana. Destination was Odessa.
- 12. The SS MOBISTOR, in port at Cardenas, was to be informed of the destination of its cargo on passing Dover.
- 13. The SS HAROLD SCHRODER was expected to be ready to load a cargo of 2,800 tons of refined sugar for shipment to the USSR about 11 July. The sugar was to be loaded at Cardenas, where the agents are Adolfo Hernandez and Company, P.O. Box 2971. The draft of the vessel fully loaded is 18 feet.
- 14. The SS TRAVEMUNDE was loaded at Jacaro between 18 May and 24 May; 78,980 bags of sugar were loaded.
- 15. The SS ELLEN HUGO STENNES was to load a cargo of 6510/5890 net long tons of refined sugar at Cardenas and Habana about mid-July.
- 16. The SS TAGENROG expenses, advanced by F. Causo, the Habana agent, have not been paid. Payment was held up because the master of the vessel had not signed for the disbursements, which were as follows:

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	a.	Unloading cement in Santiago de Cuba, \$4,746.06.	
·	b.	Loading sugar at Manzanilla, \$13,641.00.	
	c.	Panama Canal fees, \$3,681.33.	
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